

# Superior Court of the District of Columbia

CRIMINAL DIVISION

*18CW 310*

## AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF AN ARREST WARRANT

USW NO.:

DEFENDANT'S NAME: <b>Binion, Mason</b>				NICKNAME:		ALIASES:		CCN: <b>08-085-676</b>	PDID: <b>584-471</b>
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1. Your Affiant is Detective Jed D. Worrell who has been a sworn member of the Washington, DC, Metropolitan Police Department for over 25 years and is currently investigating the shooting death of Michael Francis Taylor.

2. On Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008, at approximately 7:45 am, uniformed officers of the Fourth Police District received a radio assignment for a body found in the rear of 610 Farragut Street, NW. Officers went to that location and found Michael Francis Taylor lying face down and suffering from a gunshot wound to the head. Taylor, hereafter to be referred to as the decedent, was pronounced dead on the scene.

3. Members of the Washington DC Metropolitan Police Department's Homicide Branch were notified and responded to the area. The decedent's remains were transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner for the District of Columbia. On Monday, June 23, 2008, an autopsy was conducted on the decedent's remains. Deputy Chief Medical Examiner Doctor Sara Colvin ruled the decedent's cause of death to be a gunshot wound to the head and the manner of death a homicide. An examination of the decedent's body at autopsy revealed that the decedent suffered from a gunshot wound to the back of his head. The decedent was also found to have a laceration on the back of his head, consistent with blunt force trauma.

AFFIANT'S SIGNATURE:

x *Jed D. Worrell*

TO: WARRANT CLERK

PLEASE ISSUE A WARRANT FOR:

**Mason Binion**

Charge With: ~~First Degree Murder~~ **While Armed**

*[Signature]* 12/20/17

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4. Items of evidence recovered at the crime scene included expended .22 caliber cartridge casings, and live rounds of .22 caliber ammunition.

5. Witness number one, hereinafter referred to as W-1, was interviewed and stated that on the morning of Sunday, June 22, 2008, at around 12:30 am, it heard several gunshots in the alley located in the rear of the 600 block of Farragut Street, NW. W-1 said that following the first shot, it heard a male voice cry out. Moments after the gunshots, W-1 stated that it observed a dark colored truck like vehicle drive at a high rate of speed through the alley. W-1 described the gunshots as coming from the area where the decedent's body was eventually found.

6. A second witness, hereinafter referred to as W-2, was interviewed and stated that on the evening of Saturday, June 21, 2008, between approximately 10:30 pm to 11:15 pm, it observed the decedent at a location in Silver Spring, Maryland. W-2 said that it appeared that something was troubling the decedent and that he did not seem like himself. W-2 said that it heard the decedent state that he had given his car keys to an individual named Mason, and that the decedent did not have his vehicle. W-2 said that it heard the decedent requesting to use a cell

AFFIANT'S SIGNATURE:

x *J. J. Wall*

**TO: WARRANT CLERK**

PLEASE ISSUE A WARRANT FOR:

**Mason Binion**

Charge With: **First Degree Murder While Armed**

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ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

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phone to call Mason. W-2 said that it observed the decedent talking on a cell phone, and that following the conversation; it heard the decedent say that he was going to meet Mason. The decedent then walked to a nearby recreation center at around 11:30 pm. W-2 said that it learned that the decedent had been killed the following morning.

7. W-2 stated that it has known Mason, for several years and knows him to be an associate of the decedent. W-2 identified a confirmation photograph of Mason Binion (PDID 584-471) as Mason. W-2 said that Mason Binion is known to drive a blue Mercedes Benz truck with DC Tags.

8. A third witness, hereinafter referred to as W-3, was interviewed and stated that it observed the decedent at a Silver Spring location on the evening of June 21, 2008. W-3 said that it heard the decedent say that he was involved in a drug deal that went bad. W-3 said that the decedent looked scared. W-3 said that it heard the decedent say that he helped broker a drug deal between Mason and another male subject. W-3 stated that the decedent explained that Mason and several of his associates provided money to the decedent. The decedent further explained to W-3 that he had arranged to purchase (3) three to (4) pounds of marijuana from a supplier for

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**Mason Binion**

Charge With: **First Degree Murder While Armed**

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three or four thousand dollars. The decedent further stated he gave the money to the supplier and the supplier left, but never provided the marijuana to the decedent. W-3 said that the decedent stated that Mason and his associates provided three or four thousand dollars for the marijuana.

9. W-3 explained that it heard the decedent say that the decedent had given his car keys to Mason as collateral, that he was afraid to return to his vehicle, and that Mason was en route to their location – which was a recreation center, located in Silver Spring, Maryland. W-3 said that it heard the decedent talk of his desire to explain to Mason that he did not have anything to do with the botched drug transaction.

10. W-3 said that moments later, at around 12:00 am, on June 22, 2008, it observed a blue colored Mercedes Benz truck with DC Tags arrive at the recreation center. W-3 said that the vehicle was occupied by (4) four subjects and that from "its" vantage point it could not see their faces. W-3 said that it pleaded with the decedent not to get into the vehicle. W-3 said that the decedent entered the vehicle which sped away from the recreation center.

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**TO: WARRANT CLERK**

PLEASE ISSUE A WARRANT FOR:

**Mason Binion**

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11. W-3 said that after the Mercedes Benz drove away from the recreation center, it followed behind the Mercedes Benz in a burgundy model Chrysler. W-3 said that the burgundy Chrysler lost the Mercedes Benz occupied by the decedent after the Mercedes Benz made a series of U-turns. W-3 said that it learned the following morning that the decedent had been killed.

12. On October 9, 2008, Mason Binion was interviewed by members of the Metropolitan Police Department. During the interview, Binion said that he met with the decedent on Saturday, June 21, 2008, at around 6:00 pm. Binion said that during their meeting, he made arrangements to purchase a "lap-top computer" from the decedent for \$400.00. Binion said that he gave the decedent \$400.00 with the belief that the decedent would provide him with the computer later that day. Mason said that he did not hear from the decedent for the rest of the day.

13. Binion said that at around 11:30 pm, he made arrangements, via telephone, to meet with the decedent at a recreation center, located in Silver Spring, Maryland. Binion said that during the telephone conversation he learned that the decedent had alleged to have been the victim of a robbery, which resulted in the loss of his (Binion's) \$400.00, along with what the decedent described as being an additional large sum of money. Mason

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**TO: WARRANT CLERK**

PLEASE ISSUE A WARRANT FOR:

**Mason Binion**

Charge With: **First Degree Murder While Armed**

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ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

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admitted that he was upset with the decedent and at some point believed that the decedent had chosen to keep his money.

14. Binion said that following the telephone conversation, he drove from his home residence to the recreation center, in his blue Mercedes Benz truck. Binion said that he drove the vehicle and that he was the only occupant of the vehicle when he arrived at the recreation center - Binion confirmed that it was the same blue Mercedes Benz SUV, bearing DC Tag CW-2718, which was later recovered by the DC Metropolitan Police Department on Sunday, July 13, 2008.

15. Binion said that the decedent entered his vehicle and spoke of going to find the subjects who robbed him. Binion said that he observed friends of the decedent enter a vehicle and follow him from the recreation center. Binion said that he was able to elude the decedent's friends and that he dropped the decedent off at his vehicle at a location described as being near Eastern Avenue which is the Silver Spring, Maryland/Washington, D.C. border.

**AFFIANT'S SIGNATURE:**

x *[Signature]*

**TO: WARRANT CLERK**

PLEASE ISSUE A WARRANT FOR:

**Mason Binion**

Charge With: **First Degree Murder While Armed**

ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

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16. Binion said that he observed the decedent enter his vehicle. Binion said that after leaving the decedent he arrived at his home residence at 1:00 am, around 15 minutes after leaving the decedent at 12:45 am. Binion said that he has a friend and family member who reside within a several block radius of where the decedent's body was eventually found.

17. No arrest was made in the immediate aftermath of this shooting. In Summer 2015, a subject, hereinafter referred to as "S-4," voluntarily approached the Metropolitan Police Department's Homicide Branch and stated that it had information pertaining to the shooting death of Michael Taylor on June 22, 2008. S-4 voluntarily met with detectives for recorded interviews three times, first with Detective Brian Wise on August 27, 2015, and then with Your Affiant on September 10 and September 22, 2015.

18. S-4, in its first interview, described accompanying the defendant, picking up the decedent, and ultimately witnessing the defendant commit the murder of Michael Taylor on June 22, 2008. In its second and third interviews with your Affiant, S-4 admitted that, in the first interview, it had deliberately left out or minimized significant details regarding its own involvement, as well as the involvement of others, in the murder. These

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**Mason Binion**

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details are described below in paragraph 29. In a post-arrest statement to the government in 2017, prior to giving sworn grand jury testimony, S-4 also admitted to holding back information about an additional perpetrator during its first three recorded interviews in 2015. This is described in greater detail below in paragraph 30.

19. In its sworn testimony before the grand jury in 2017, S-4 stated as follows: S-4 has known the defendant Mason Binion since the seventh grade. On the evening of June 21, 2008, S-4 visited Binion at Binion's apartment in Tacoma Park, Maryland. Another individual, S-2, was present. S-4 stated that it was aware that Mason and the decedent had worked together to broker a drug deal for the purchase of marijuana in the days leading up to June 22. That evening, S-4 stayed in Mason's apartment after Mason and S-2 left, and took a nap.

20. Mason returned to the apartment later that evening and stated that he had been robbed. According to S-4, Mason believed he had been "played" by the decedent. Binion and S-4 drove to S-4's sister's residence in Binion's blue Mercedes truck. S-4 retrieved a .22 caliber long nosed pistol which S-4 kept at its sister's apartment. The gun was loaded with between 9 to 11 rounds of .22 caliber bullets.

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**Mason Binion**

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22. Binion, S-2, S-3 and S-4 drove towards a recreation center in Silver Spring, Maryland. On the way, S-4 stopped the car, removed the pistol from the bag it was in, and wiped both the pistol and the ammunition clean. S-4 then put the pistol back in the bag and handed the bag to Mason, who put the bag between his legs. At one point, Binion turned to the others and stated, "Who wants to do it?" S-4 interpreted this to mean, who was going to shoot the decedent. S-4 states that no one responded to Binion.

23. Binion, S-2, S-3 and S-4 picked up the decedent at the recreation center. S-4 states that as it drove away, it

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24. S-4 states he then drove to Colesville Road, then south on 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, and then to Emerson Street, NW, in Washington, DC. S-4 pulled the car into an alley off Emerson Street and drove up into the alley. Your affiant knows that Emerson Street is directly south of Farragut Street, NW, and that the decedent's body was found in the alley between Emerson and Farragut Streets.

25. S-4 states that it stopped the car in front of a garage. Binion was in the front passenger seat, S-2 was in the rear left passenger seat, behind S-4, S-3 was in the rear right passenger seat behind Binion, and the decedent sat in the rear seat between S-2 and S-3. Binion removed the gun from the bag and exited the vehicle, as did S-2, S-3 and the decedent. S-4, who remained in the car, heard Binion yell at the decedent. S-3 then struck the decedent with a rock with a downward, descending blow. S-4 clarified that it observed S-3 strike Taylor, but was not aware S-3 was holding a rock until S-4 discussed it with the others after the fact. S-4 heard the decedent shout, "No Mason!" S-4 heard multiple gunshots, and could not see the gun itself but saw flashes of light where Mason

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26. Binion, S-2 and S-3 re-entered the car, and S-4 drove off. S-4 quickly hit a dead end in the alley, and then had to drive in reverse prior to turning to get out. S-4 states that Binion soon stated they had to go back because Binion thought the decedent was still alive, and S-4 refused to return.

27. Binion, S-2, S-3 and S-4 returned to Binion's apartment in Tacoma Park, and S-4 took his pistol back from Binion. S-4 first hid the pistol underneath a tennis court behind the apartment, and then stashed the pistol in the wooded area nearby. S-4 then drove Binion and S-3 to pick up the decedent's car, which was parked near the apartment. S-4 and Binion followed as S-3 drove the decedent's car to an apartment complex near Adelphi road, near a school, a shopping center, and a restaurant called the "Golden Bull." S-3 left the decedent's car at that location, and S-4 took Binion and S-3 back to Binion's apartment.

28. Your affiant's investigation has revealed that the decedent's car was ultimately found on November 6, 2008, by a towing company who removed the car from an apartment complex at 9004 Riggs Road, just off Adelphi

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29. It should be noted that, in its first recorded interview with police on August 27, 2015, S-4, as noted above, was not fully forthcoming with investigators. Specifically, in the first interview with police, S-4: denied knowing who S-2 was; denied owning a gun; denied recognizing the gun that Binion used to shoot Taylor and withheld the fact that it provided the gun that was used to kill Taylor; told detectives that it had driven Mason to a residence in Edgewood, when in fact they had driven to Maryland to retrieve S-4's handgun; and, denied remembering anyone following their car when they left the rec center in Silver Spring. It should be further noted that in the second recorded interview on September 10, 2015, S-4 told police that it had previously purchased the .22 caliber weapon from a specific individual, S-5. S-4, prior to giving sworn testimony in the grand jury, admitted this was not true and it had given S-5's name because it was upset with S-5 at the time. S-4 explained that it also identified S-5 as the gun seller due to it's state of mind at the time of the police interviews. S-4 stated that it was experiencing episodes of paranoia where it believed people were out to get it.

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30. Additionally, during a subsequent statement to the government in 2017 which preceded its sworn grand jury testimony, S-4 stated that it had been untruthful during its statements to law enforcement when it said that Binion struck the decedent somewhere in the upper back prior to Binion firing the shots. In fact, it was "S-3" who actually struck the decedent with a rock prior to Binion shooting the decedent. S-4 said that, during the initial three interviews with detectives, it omitted the fact that S-3 was present and participated, because S-4 believed everyone would know that S-4 was cooperating with law enforcement if S-4 provided information about S-3's involvement.

31. S-4 was arrested in 2015 and charged with Second Degree Murder while armed. While being held on this charge, S-4 was diagnosed with a mental health condition and received months of competency treatment. After receiving mental health treatment and being placed on a medication regimen in mid to late 2016, S-4 was deemed competent by the Court. Thereafter, S-4 pled guilty pursuant to a cooperation agreement with the government, to charges of conspiracy, carrying a pistol without a license, and accessory after the fact to second degree murder.

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32. Based on the information presented, your Affiant submits that probable cause exists to believe that Mason Binion is responsible for the shooting death of Michael Francis Taylor on June 22, 2008. It is therefore requested that a DC Superior Court Arrest Warrant be issued for Mason Binion PDID: 584-471, charging him in the outlined offense.

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